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government service and was sent to Cuba in July to superintend some railroad construction near Havana. In April, 1862, he was appointed assistant quartermaster of volunteers with rank of captain. He served under Generals McDowell, Burnside, Hooker, Meade, and Grant and was commissioned lieutenant-colonel. He was mustered out the fall of 1865. In 1876 he was sent to Keokuk to look after certain railroad interests of eastern capitalists. He superintended the construction of the railroad from Keokuk to Mount Pleasant. He then remained permanently at Keokuk, first becoming interested in the Keokuk Plow Works, and later engaging in insurance business. He served for a time as a member of the Keokuk City Council.

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THOMAS G. HARPER was born in Greene County, Ohio, January 13, 1853, and died at Burlington, Iowa, December 15, 1917. He removed with his parents to Mercer County, Illinois, in 1857 and in 1861 to Monmouth, Illinois. He attended public schools and for a time an academy at Xenia, Ohio. He read law under Judge William C. Norcross, of Monmouth, and was admitted to the bar at Mount Vernon, Illinois, in November, 1880. He practiced at Roseville, Illinois, until 1883, when he removed to Burlington, Iowa, to act as counsel for the Burlington Insurance Company, which he continued to do until 1896, after which time he conducted a general practice. In 1893 he was elected state senator and served in the Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth and Twenty-sixth extra general assemblies. He was a useful legislator and a public-spirited citizen, serving on the city council and board of education. For nine years he was president of the Iowa State Good Roads Committee.

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ALVA L. FRISBIE was born in Delaware County, New York, October 22, 1830, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, December 17, 1917. He was reared on the farm of an uncle, his father having died. He attended college at Oberlin, Ohio, and later at Amherst, Massachusetts. His theological training was obtained at Yale Divinity and at Andover Theological schools. His first pastorate was at Ansonia, Connecticut. After He was admitted to the bar in 1893. In 1894 he removed to Perry and engaged in practice there. For two years he served as justice of the peace, was city solicitor four years, and deputy county attorney one year. On April 13, 1907, he was appointed judge of the superior court at Perry. In 1910 he was elected one of the district judges of the Fifth Judicial District, a position he held from January, 1911, until his death.

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JOHN FOX was born in Yorkshire, England, January 24, 1841, and died at Dallas Center, Iowa, May 27, 1916. He came with his parents to America in 1845, the family settling at Allegheny City, Pennsylvania. Here he attended common school. In 1855 they removed to a farm in Ohio. In August, 1861, he enlisted in Company G, Twentieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was honorably discharged in 1864. He taught

school in Ohio a few terms before and after the war, and also a few terms after coming to Iowa. He came to Iowa County, Iowa, in 1868, and to Dallas County in 1869. He engaged in farming, was a short time in the grain business, and was four years in the mercantile business. He was elected representative in 1906, and re-elected in 1908, serving in the Thirty-second, Thirty-second extra and Thirty-third general assemblies.

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FRANK E. AYRES was born in Chickasaw County, Iowa, April 13, 1859, and died at Iowa City, June 13, 1918. He attended common school, and school at Decorah and at Breckenridge Institute. When fourteen years of age he left home to enter a business career. In 1885 and 1886 he served as deputy treasurer of Chickasaw County. In 1887 he entered the lumber business on his own account at Lawler. He was a member of the town council at Lawler and also served as mayor. In 1899 he was elected representative and served in the Twenty-eighth General Assembly. In 1903 he removed to Iowa City and engaged in the lumber business there, retaining his lumber interests at Lawler. He was also interested in an implement business at Iowa City. He was an owner of extensive pine timber lands in the South. He was president of the Iowa City Commercial Club from 1909 to 1912.

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JOHN W. CAMPBELL was born in Green County, Wisconsin, March 2, 1852, and died at his home in Fort Dodge, Iowa, October 17, 1915. He came to Webster County in 1873 and taught school in Dayton, Gowrie, and Lake City. He became deputy treasurer of Webster County in 1878, serving four years, then was elected county treasurer and served four years, when he became county auditor, and served two years. He was connected with the First National Bank of Fort Dodge for three years, helped to organize the Commercial National Bank at Fort Dodge in 1891, becoming its cashier and so remaining until his death. In 1910 he was elected representative and served in the Thirty-fourth General Assembly.

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DENNIS HAMBLIN was born at Summerhill, New York, March 28, 1836, and died at Clarinda, Iowa, January 10, 1916. Interment was at his home at Sharpsburg, Taylor County. He lived in New York state until grown to manhood, and then came west. In 1861 he enlisted at St. Charles, Illinois, in the Fifty-eighth Illinois Infantry. He was wounded and came home, but recovered and returned and served to the end of the war. Soon thereafter he came to Taylor County, Iowa, and engaged in farming. He held many offices of trust in his township and in 1883 was elected representative and served in the Twentieth General Assembly. In 1901 he was appointed a rural mail route inspector and served five years with marked usefulness. His district included sixteen states.

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